Expertise

Global BVI legal services

With BVI-admitted lawyers in each of our global offices, across the Caribbean, European and Asian timezones, we work with clients from all over the world on corporate, finance, funds, private wealth and disputes matters under BVI law.



What we do

At Bedell Cristin, we have had an office in BVI since 2011 but have been working on BVI law matters for longer than that, with a history of advising on complex litigation, finance, corporate and private wealth matters from our locations in the Caribbean, Europe and Asia.

Our Financial Services Law teams focus on BVI corporate and financing matters, including where BVI law structures are used in conjunction with structures from other offshore jurisdictions, with an experienced lender side team advising on complex real estate, corporate and Islamic financings.

Our International Private Client teams, including some of the leading names in global offshore private client practice, include BVI-law admitted lawyers familiar with VISTA trusts, purpose trusts, family offices and PTCs, advising on complex dynastic family structures.

Our Dispute Resolution teams – including resident BVI litigators – have in-depth experience of acting for clients in complex disputes, including contentious matters that have lasted for many years.

Who we work with

We work with onshore counsel, GCs, banks, directors, asset managers, trustees, beneficiaries, corporates, UHNWs, family offices and other professional services providers on matters ranging from simple advisory queries, to international transactions, to complicated and long-lasting disputes.

We have full rights of audience in the jurisdiction, with BVI law-admitted lawyers covering all global timezones, and with Mandarin and Taiwanese speakers in the team. Our practitioners are regularly ranked in the top tiers of the leading independent legal directories.

> *The unique nature of Bedell Cristin is that it retains the personal touch while having the full substance and expertise of a major law firm of distinction.*
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Case studies

- We continue to advise on a complex and high value BVI and Guernsey law trusts dispute that is being closely watched by the industry and commentators for its implications on the law around reflective loss
- We advise the beneficiary of a BVI trust – a Chinese individual with an estimated net worth in excess of USD 1.6 billion – on complex legal matters relating to proposed distributions under BVI law
- We advised Inflexion Private Equity, the owners of Ocorian, on its acquisition of Estera and a subsequent merger and restructure
- We advised on a complex family dispute involving a BVI structure involving interpretation of trusts and legitimacy law – we act alongside a leading cast of London lawyers and KCs
- We advised a leading global provider of corporate and fiduciary services in a trusted adviser role, including on a complex international restructuring of their business
- We advised on the BVI law elements of the EUR 250M acquisition of Finalto by Gopher Investments
- We advised on the BVI law aspects of the liquidation of a major crypto-currency hedge fund, involving proceedings across many jurisdictions simultaneously
- We advised on the BVI law elements of the acquisition of a majority stake in a BVI holding company for a global logistics group including due diligence, share acquisition/transaction documentation and corporate migrations
- We advised major international banking groups on the SONIA/ LIBOR transition across multi-jurisdictional borrowing book
- We advised – with onshore and offshore counsel – on the long-running and complex Blue Ocean litigation, acting for Blue Ocean BVI and Blue Ocean HK
- We advised on the BVI law elements of acting of the EUR 445M acquisition by Strix of the Greek Shipping company MIG
- We advised two siblings as beneficiaries of a BVI trust in complex multi-jurisdictional proceedings against a third sibling as trustee of the trust established by their father

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